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Gal 1:10

INTRO:

1. False teachers were seeking favor of men.
2. Paul said we cannot please God by pleasing men.
3. We must act on a higher motive than pleasing men.
4. World seeks to please man today, not God.
5. We must abandon idea of pleasing man, even families and ourselves. Mt 10:34-39.
6. Seek God we must - 1 Cor 2:4
7. What must I do to please God?

BODY:

I. Must have proper attitude toward commands:

1. Christ came into the world to obey God.

1 Jn 4:34 - "So do will of Father..."

Heb 5:9 - "Learned obedience by things suffered." Christ knew he would not please Father if he did not obey him.

2. We also must obey God to please him.

Rom 6:17-18 - "obeyed form of doctrine..."

1 Pet 4:17 - God's displeasure against those who do not obey Gospel.

Rev 22:14 - "Blessed are they that do his commandments" (NOT OBEDIENCE ONLY) (WHAT WE WANT)

3. We show our love by our obedience.

1 Jn 4:15 - "If ye love me ye will keep my commandments."

1 Jn 5:3 - "This is the love of God that ye keep..."

4. When was Abraham, Noah, Israelites pleasing to God? When they obeyed His commands.

5. We cannot be pleasing and refuse to obey.

II. Must have proper attitude toward worship.

1. Christ recognized spiritual worship.

Jn 4:24 - SPIRIT + TRUTH

Spirit only, not Truth only, will not please him.

2. What is our attitude toward worship?

Do we look forward to it?

Do we dread it? Wish we didn't have to?
Are we glad when it's over?

"Well that's done for another week." Sunday only.

3. Heb 10:25 - Are we attending assemblies?

4. 1 Cor 14:15 - Pray + Sing with Spirit & Understanding

5. Col 3:16; Eph 5:19

6. What is our attitude toward Lord's Supper?

1 Cor 11:23-30

Do we plan the afternoons activities during it?

7. How can we expect to please God when our worship is not done acceptable.

III. Must have proper attitude toward the WORK:

1. Christ has told us to be busy at the Father's business.
2. Christian works are necessary to please God.

Jas 2:14-26

3. We can be right in the truth and still not please him (still be dead).

4. Rom 12:1 - Living sacrifice given to Him.

5. We sit back and smile at the lost too often.

6. What am I doing to save souls? Am I pleasing?

CONCLUSION:

1. Are you seeking to please men or God?

2. Let us strive to please God.

3. Must obey Gospel to please Him.

Even over the pleasing of SELF,

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1. False teachers were seeking favor of men. Gal 1:10
2. Paul said we cannot please God by pleasing men.
3. We must act on higher motive than pleasing men.
4. World today seems to please men, look around us. Much that is done is to gain man's approval.
5. Must abandon idea of pleasing man, even own family, even self - Mt 10:34-39

6. Must seek God - 1 Thess. 2:4 MOST HAVE PROPER ATTITUDE
7. What must I do to please God - PROPER ATTITUDE

I MUST HAVE PROPER ATTITUDE TOWARD COMMANDS:

1. Christ came into the world to obey God.
John 4:34 - "My meat is to do the will of the Father."
Heb 5:8,9 - Learned obedience by things suffered.
Jesus knew he would not please His Father if he did not obey Him.
2. We, also, must obey God to please Him:
Rom 6:17-18 - obeyed form of doctrine.
1 Pet 4:17 - God's displeasure against those who do not obey.
Rev 22:14 - Blessed are they, that do his comm. obey. Not by obeying only what we want to.
3. We show our love by our obedience.
John 14:15 - "If you love me, you will keep my commandments."
1 John 5:3 - "This is the love of God --- keep it."
4. When was Abraham, Noah, Israelites pleasing to Jehovah?
When they OBEYED His commands. FAITH +
5. One cannot be pleasing & refuse to obey.

II MUST HAVE PROPER ATTITUDE TOWARD WORSHIP

1. Christ recognized spiritual worship - In 4:34
S.T.

Neither one nor other is pleasing - BOTH S.T.

2. What is my attitude toward worship?
Do I look forward to it? or Dread it?
Wish I didn't have to go? Glad when it's over?
"Well, that done for another week!" WEAK
3. Heb 10:25 - Do I attend the assemblies?
4. Col 3:16; Eph 5:19
5. What is my attitude toward the Lord's Supper?
1 Cor 11:23-30 - Corinthian were abusing + misusing privilege.
Should not plan afternoon activities during L.S.
6. Cannot expect to please God if my worship is not done acceptable.

III. MUST HAVE PROPER ATTITUDE TOWARD THE WORK:

1. Christ was busy about His Father's business. Lk 2:49
2. Works are necessary to please God - Job 9:14-26
3. We can be correct in truth + still not please Him, if we are not busy - "DO"
4. Rom 12:1 - Living sacrifice given to Him
5. Cannot sit back and accept the lost without making some effort to save souls?
6. Mt 28:18-20 - to apostles, but Acts tells of the command being obeyed by many others.

Conclusion

1. Am I seeking to please man or God?
2. Let us strive to please God.
3. First step to pleasing God is obeying Gospel - Even over pleasing self!!!